

Digital Sanctuaries Survey – Codebook (Anonymized CSV)

This codebook maps the original XLSX survey instrument to the anonymized CSV variables and documents variable meanings, response types, and recommended coding.

Identification & Metadata

CSV Variable	Description	Type / Coding
Response_ID	Unique anonymized response identifier	Integer / string
Start_Time	Survey start timestamp	Datetime
End_Time	Survey completion timestamp	Datetime

Screening & Demographics

CSV Variable	Original Question (XLSX)	Coding
Is_Adult	I am 18 of age or older.	1 = Yes, 0 = No
Is_Christian	I identify as a Christian.	1 = Yes, 0 = No
Is_Church_Member	I am a member of a local church.	1 = Yes, 0 = No
Church_Role	My Role in the Church	Categorical (see values below)
Age_Range	Please Select your Age Range	Ordinal categorical
Location	Please Select Your Location	Categorical (region/country)

Denomination

Please select your
denomination

Categorical

Suggested Church_Role values:

- 1 = Attendee / Member
- 2 = Volunteer / Lay Leader
- 3 = Staff
- 4 = Pastor / Clergy
- 5 = Other

Pre-COVID Church Engagement

All Likert-scale items use: 1 = Strongly Disagree, 2 = Disagree, 3 = Neutral, 4 = Agree, 5 = Strongly Agree

CSV Variable	Description
PreCovid_Attendance_InPerson	Regular in-person attendance pre-March 2020
PreCovid_Streaming_Available	Church streamed services pre-COVID
PreCovid_Online_Devotionals	Church provided online devotionals pre-COVID

COVID-19 Restrictions & Technology

CSV Variable	Description	Coding
Covid_Legal_Restrictions	Laws limited in-person attendance	Likert (1–5)
Tech_App_Exists	Church has an app	1 = Yes, 0 = No
Tech_Website_Exists	Church has a website	1 = Yes, 0 = No
Tech_Social_Exists	Church uses social media	1 = Yes, 0 = No

Tech_Private_Group

Private social group exists

1 = Yes, 0 = No

Community & Identity

CSV Variable	Description	Scale
Identity_Local_Church	Sense of belonging to local church	Likert (1-5)
Community_Support_Physical	Support from physical church	Likert (1-5)
Community_Support_Online	Support from non-church online communities	Likert (1-5)

Worship Practices During COVID

CSV Variable	Description	Scale
Zoom_Usage	Used Zoom or similar tools	Likert (1-5)
Mask_Usage	Mask worn in services	Likert (1-5)
Online_View_Freq	Regularly viewed services online	Likert (1-5)
viewed_Other_Churches	Viewed other churches' content	Likert (1-5)
Continued_InPerson	Continued in-person attendance	Likert (1-5)
Regular_PreCovid	Regular attendance before COVID	Likert (1-5)
Never_Returned_InPerson	Has not returned in person	Likert (1-5)

Digital Engagement & Theology of Technology

CSV Variable	Description	Scale
Increased_Online_Engage	Increased engagement with church content	Likert (1–5)
Web_Is_Valuable	Web valuable for gospel communication	Likert (1–5)
Online_Discipleship_Valid	Discipleship can happen online	Likert (1–5)
Resource_Usage_Gospel	Use all resources for gospel	Likert (1–5)

Media & Bible Practices

CSV Variable	Description	Coding
Content_Platform_Usage	Platforms used for Christian content	Multi-select (dummy coded)
Bible_Reading_Freq	Days per week Bible read	Ordinal (0–7)
Bible_App_Usage	Uses Bible app	1 = Yes, 0 = No
Physical_Bible_Church	Brings physical Bible	1 = Yes, 0 = No
Bible_App_Church	Uses Bible app in church	1 = Yes, 0 = No
Bible_Study_Method	Primary Bible study method	Categorical

Pandemic Impact & Digital Formation

CSV Variable	Description	Scale
Covid_Strain_Impact	COVID variants affected attendance	Likert (1–5)

Digital_Content_Engage	Regular digital church engagement	Likert (1–5)
Digital_Increase_Pandemic	Increased digital engagement	Likert (1–5)

Evangelism & Discipleship

CSV Variable	Description	Coding
Shared_Gospel_Online	Shared gospel online since March 2020	1 = Yes, 0 = No
Shared_Gospel_Offline	Shared gospel in person	1 = Yes, 0 = No
Faith_Is_Private	Faith is private	Likert (1–5)
Faith_Talk_Taboo	People shouldn't talk about faith	Likert (1–5)
Knowledge_1040_Window	Knows 10/40 window	1 = Yes, 0 = No
Knowledge_Great_Commission	Understands Great Commission	1 = Yes, 0 = No
Discipled_Digitally	Was discipled digitally	1 = Yes, 0 = No
Discipled_InPerson	Was discipled in person	1 = Yes, 0 = No
Active_Discipler_Digital	Actively discipled others digitally	1 = Yes, 0 = No
Active_Discipler_InPerson	Actively discipled others in person	1 = Yes, 0 = No

Notes

- Likert items should be treated as ordinal; scale reliability analysis recommended.
- Multi-select variables should be expanded into binary indicator columns for analysis.
- Anonymization removed names, emails, and consent acknowledgment text.